

Remark

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1, 12, 14 and 24 have been amended. Claims 5, 8-10, 17, 20-21 and 26-27 have been cancelled. Claims 29-37 have been added as New. Therefore, claims 1-4, 6-7, 11-16, 18-19, 22-25 and 28-37 are present for examination.

Claim Objections

Claims 5, 17 and 26 stand objected to. These claims are reinstated as Claims 29, 30, and 31 as suggested by the Examiner:

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 9, 10, 20, 21 and 27 were indicated as allowable but stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. These claims were also indicated as allowable in the initial Office action of February 9, 2005. The amendments above present the allowable claims in the form in which they were originally presented but rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the original base claim and any interviewing claims. Specifically, Claim 1 is amended to reflect originally filed Claim 9, Claim 14 is amended to reflect originally filed Claim 20. Claim 24 is amended to reflect originally filed Claim 27. New Claim 32 reflects original Claim 10 and new Claim 35 reflects original Claim 21.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome by the amendment and remark, and that the claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims as amended be allowed.

Invitation for a Telephone Interview

The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

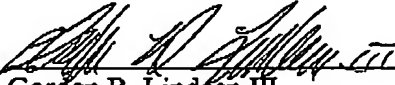
Request for an Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) should one be necessary. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 to cover the necessary fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for such an extension.
Charge our Deposit Account.

Please charge any shortage to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,
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